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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

On March 21, 2007, Applicants submitted a Response for Restriction and elected claims 1-6 and 13-17 (Group I). Applicants inadvertently failed to elect a species as requested. Thereafter, Applicants filed a Preliminary Amendment cancelling the non-elected claims 6-12 and 18-19. Amended Claim 1 (from which all of the now pending claims depend directly or indirectly) recites the elected cationic polysaccharide, polyquaternium-10. To further address the Request for election of species and to comply with the pending Official Action, Applicants further elect polyquaterniuim-1 as the selected antimicrobial agent.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing election.

Dated: April 26, 2007

Respectfully-submitted,

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